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MICROBIOLOGY REPORT: The March 2005 issue of Microbiology Monthly Report, Volume 10, presents the laboratory diagnosis of some of the infectious diseases, the reference microbiology work done in this laboratory during February 2005 and new cases of syphilis in Milwaukee during January 2005. Information on the laboratory diagnosed mycobacterial infections in Wisconsin during January is also included.

Legionnaires Disease (February 2005)

No positive case detected.

Pertussis (Whooping cough (February 2005)

Specimens from the city health centers were tested using culture and real-time PCR assays. No positive case was detected.

Syphilis (February 2005)

Test	Number Positive	Test	Number Positive	
RPR	0	FTA-ABS	12	
VDRL	33	DARKFIELD	0	

New Cases (Syphilis)

The Wisconsin Division of Health has reported no new case of syphilis (early stages) during January 2005 in Milwaukee. Morbidity distributions of the disease reported in the corresponding month of the previous year are as follows:

New Cases of Syphilis (January 2005 and January 2004)

Stage	Number of Cases			
Stage	January 2005	January 2004		
Primary syphilis	0	1		
Secondary syphilis	0	1		
Early latent syphilis	0	4		
Late latent syphilis	0	5		
Total	0	11		

Gonorrhea (MHD – February 2005)

Number	Decreased	Decreased Susceptibility (DS)/Resistance (R) to Antibiotics				
Tested	Ciprofloxacin	Ceftriaxone	Spectinomycin	Azithromycin		
47	1(R)	1(DS)	0	0		

Gonorrhea from Other Sources (February 2005)

Number	Decreased Susceptibility (DS)/Resistance (R) to Antibiotics				
Tested	Ciprofloxacin	Ceftriaxone	Spectinomycin	Azithromycin	
3	0	0	0	0	

Isolates Other Than N. gonorrhoeae (February 2005)

Organism	Site	Number Isolates	Organism	Site	Number Isolates
Ureaplasma urealyticum	Genital	39	Mycoplasma hominis	Genital	8

Parasitic Enteric Pathogens (February 2005)

Age	Sex	Pathogen	Number Cases
21	F	Giardia lamblia	1
11*	M*	Entamoeba coli Giardia lamblia	1
33	M	Giardia lamblia	1
19	F	Giardia lamblia	1
18mo	М	Giardia lamblia	1

^{*} dual infection

Mycobacterial Infections (February 2005)

Mycobacteriology laboratory is being renovated and not operational at this time.

Reference Cultures (February 2005)

Age	Sex	Site/Specimen Source	Culture Identification
5	F	Urine	Neisseria cinerea
3	М	Stool	Shewanella putrefaciens
20	F	Urine	Escherichia coli

Bacterial Enteric Pathogens (February 2005)

Age	Sex	Pathogen	Age	Sex	Pathogen
7	F	Shigella flexneri B3	36	М	Salmonella subsp. IIIb; K: 1, 5
29	М	Shigella flexneri B2	92	F	Salmonella typhimurium
17	F	Shigella flexneri B3	28mo	М	Salmonella java
24mo	M	Shigella sonnei	12mo	F	Salmonella urbana
23mo	F	Shigella flexneri B4	77	F	Salmonella saintpaul
60	F	Shigella flexneri B2	12mo	М	Salmonella subsp.l
			65	М	Salmonella enteritidis
			65	F	Salmonella lohbruegge